

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The City Of Augusta

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of the "GEORGIA ASSOCIATION FOR ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION"

WHEREAS, Georgia's alternative school educators serve and educate approximately 20,000 of Georgia's "at risk" students each year; and

WHEREAS, Alternative school teachers and administrators are some of the most concerned, supportive, caring, dedicated educators in Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia alternative school educators formed the Georgia Association for Alternative Education (GAEE) to serve as their professional organization; and

WHEREAS, the annual meetings of the Georgia Association for Alternative Education are devoted to pertinent change, regulations, best practices, agency personnel changes impacting alternative education programs, recognizing outstanding achievements in alternative education; and

WHEREAS, once again, the Georgia Association for Alternative Education elected to hold the Annual GAEE Spring Conference in the City of Augusta- Richmond County, thereby positively impacting the economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta-Richmond County is honored to have been selected to host this prestigious professional conference in 2005 and 2006; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of this great city and county extend every courtesy to this elite group of educators; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Deke Copenhaver, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim February 20-24th, 2006, as "GEORGIA ASSOCIATION FOR ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION WEEK" in Augusta, Georgia, and urge all citizens to recognize the vitality that is exuded from these educators to implement programs and plans to help our "at risk" youth make positive changes, one student at a time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 22ND day of February, 2006.

Given under my hand
This 22ND day of February 2006

Deke Copenhaver
Mayor

